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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Vadiraja Murthy and Edward R. Burns  
Serial No. : 08/746,635  
Filed : November 13, 1996  
For : METHOD FOR DETECTING HEMOLYSIS  
Art Unit : 1641  
Examiner : Gailene R. Gabel

**PETITION FOR TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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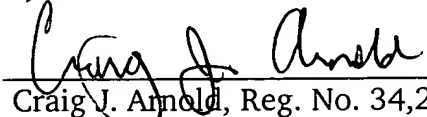
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Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time in connection with the above-identified application for filing a Continuing Prosecution Application. A check is enclosed to cover the \$195 two month extension of time. A Notice of Appeal was filed on October 24, 2000, and an appeal brief was due on December 24, 2000. Based upon the extension of time, the subject application is pending as of February 24, 2001 for purposes of filing a Continuing Prosecution Application. Authorization is hereby given to charge any additional extension of time fee necessary to preserve the pendency of the subject application to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted,

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